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SUBJECT: ANGOLA IN MOZAMBIQUE PRESS

1. ANGOLAN NEWS FEATURED PROMINENTLY IN WEEKEND PRESS.

"NOTICIAS" PRINTED INTERESTING ARTICLE "FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

IN LUANDA" CLAIMING MPLA ADVANCING ON ALL FRONTS. TO NORTH,

CAXITO REPORTEDLY SURROUNDED BY RING OF IRON. TO NORTHEAST,

MPLA FORCES WITHIN TEN MILES OF CARMONA AND COMPLETELY

SURROUNDING KEY AIRBASE AT NEGAGE. IN CENTRAL FRONT, MPLA

FIRMLY HOLDING CELA AND PREVENTED FROM TAKING NOVA LISBOA

ONLY BECAUSE OF NEED TO SEND TROOPS TO SOUTHERN FRONT TO

COMBAT SOUTH AFRICAN MERCENARIES. IN SOUTH, "THANKS TO

HEAVY ARTILLERY RECENTLY RECEIVED BY MPLA", MERCENARIES WERE

FORCED OUT OF NOVO REDONDO SUBURBS BACK TOWARD LOBITO. REPORT

STATED THAT: "THE CONSOLIDATION OF WAR MATERIAL BY THE FORCES

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OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, SOON TO BE AUGMENTED BY DAILY

UNLOADINGS IN ANGOLAN TERRITORY OF WAR MATERIAL FROM PROGRESSIVE COUNTRIES, WILL PERMIT GREATER ALLEVIATION OF THE SITUATION."

2. OTHER ITEMS INCLUDED CHARGES OF FNLA ATROCITIES AND SOUTH AFRICAN MERCENARY INVOLVEMENT IN CONFLICT, AND SOVIET (TASS) DENIAL OF A UNITA CLAIM TO HAVE CAPTURED SOVIET MERCENARIES. ARENALES

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